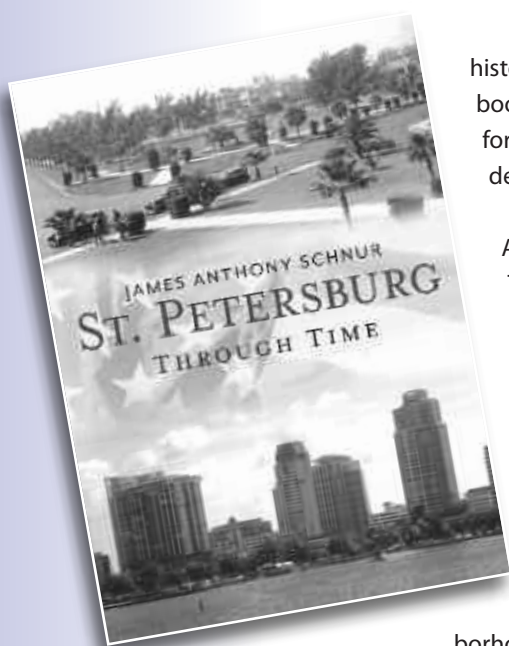# New Books *Celebrate* St. Pete and Seminole Area History

Jim Schnur, PCHS President, continues to research and publish histories of local communities in Pinellas County. A recently-released book offers a new photographic history of St. Petersburg, while a forthcoming publication will examine the settlement and development of the Seminole area.

St. Petersburg Through Time, a new release in Font Hill Media's America Through Time series, became available in November 2014. This 96-page book captures the history of the "Sunshine City" through archival and contemporary images--including full-color photographs--that richly detail transitions along the waterfront, in the downtown area, nearby and adjacent neighborhoods, and other parts of the city.

More than a "then-and-now" photographic history, the images and descriptive captions illustrate how significant landmarks have changed, how areas of the city have evolved, and how a small village grew into a substantial city while still retaining the charm and character of its many unique neighborhoods. Author royalties from *St. Petersburg Through Time* support the USFSP Digital Archive at USF St. Petersburg's Nelson Poynter Memorial Library.

Slated for release later in 2015 or early 2016, *Images of America: Seminole* will become the third Pinellas County history book Schnur has written for Arcadia Publishing's Images of America Similar to Largo (2011) and Madeira Beach (2013), the forthcoming history of Seminole will examine the Greater Seminole Area from a chronological perspective, focusing as well on themes such as pioneer life along the ridge, the development of groves and agriculture, and suburbanization after World War II.

Incorporated in November 1970, Seminole is Pinellas County's newest city. This book travels beyond municipal boundaries and examines the entire region. Royalties for Seminole will benefit both PCHS and the Seminole Historical Society.

St. Petersburg Yacht Club, mid-1920s

Roser Park, St. Petersburg, mid-1920s.